



September 10, 2010

After four and half months of closure, one of the oldest parks in Franklin, **Fieldstone Park**, will **now reopen with a whole new look tomorrow!** Flood waters peaked over two stories high for five days in the park ripping athletics fences from their foundation and washing away any remnants of a softball field. The City of Franklin is proud to host the families of TVA for a softball tournament and other fun activities in the park. Then on Monday, Williamson County Parks & Recreation will kick-off the **Fall Adult Softball League. Congratulations to the Franklin Parks Department Team** and all City Departments that helped in providing assistance in reopening this great community driven park. The total cost of restoring the park to pre-flood status was around \$200,000. **Let's play ball!**

If you like to ride your bikes around Franklin or to and from work like **Andrew Orr our Sustainability Coordinator** we have good news for you...the **City is installing bike bollards** as part of the streetscape improvements on Columbia Ave/5th Avenue. There are already bollards installed near Starbucks and Sweet CeCe's. This is one of the initiatives in the City's 2009 Sustainability Plan to make Franklin a more bikeable/walkable City.

Tomorrow is the 9th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks on our nation. There are many activities including our staff set for the weekend. See details below.

Saturday, Sept. 11 – 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb challenge

Several **Franklin Firefighters (24)** will participate in the inaugural **Nashville 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb on Saturday at The Pinnacle at Symphony Place building**. They will join other Nashville-area firefighters in climbing in memory of those who fell on 9/11. A total of 343 firefighters will climb the equivalent of 110 stories in remembrance of the 343 New York City firefighters who died at the twin towers on Sept. 11, 2001. Firefighters participating in the event will wear full turnout gear and climb for specific victims. Each will be given a badge with the name and photograph of one of the firefighters who perished. The event is a fundraiser for the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

Saturday, Sept. 11 – TVA ceremony at the Embassy Suites

The **Franklin Fire Department Honor Guard** will present the colors and **Battalion Chief Greg Baltimore** will attend on behalf of the department. **Lt. Rob Lenters** will attend on behalf of the **Franklin Police Department**.

Sunday, Sept. 12 – The Hope Award, Full Life Assembly of God

A **Detective Becky Johnson, along with Franklin Firefighter Perry Phillips** and WCSO Deputy David Reiman, will be honored this Sunday. They will be presented with The Hope Award. Please join your fellow Firefighters and Police Officers Sunday morning to honor Detective Johnson and Firefighter Phillips who were both nominated by their peers for this

award. The **Hope Award** is at 10:00 a.m. at the Full Life Assembly of God at 813 Oak Meadow Drive.

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